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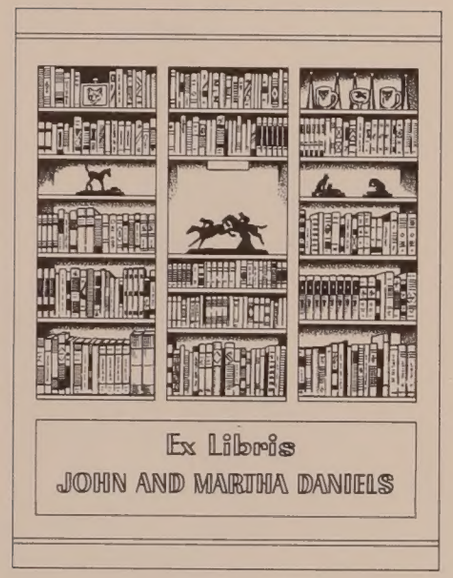
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SYMPTOMS

Of a Preface.

A SHORT time since a Gentleman being indisposed, sent for a Physician, who, after the usual ceremonies, and enquiries after the "Symptoms," wrote a prescription, took his fee, and departed. It chanced that a friend of the patient, being in the room at the time, was struck by the use of the word "Symptoms," bringing to his mind the present Publication; he therefore having satisfied himself by the "Symptoms," that "Dull Care" (which will kill a cat), was the malady his friend was labouring under, offered to effect his cure immediately. For this purpose he obtained from the *Repository of Wit and Humour*, the First Number of "Symptoms;" and having arranged with the family the "Symptoms" of a jollification, and the company of a few merry friends, he had the invalid brought from the bed-room to the parlour, and after exhilarating his spirits by cheerful conversation and good living, he exhibited the said number of the "Symptoms," which had the most happy effect, by the patient giving immediate "Symptoms" of recovery, and joining heartily in the laugh, caused by the "Symptoms" of ability displayed by MR. ALKEN, in pourtraying the various "Symptoms" of the fortunes and misfortunes of life. The evening passed off with the greatest pleasure, and the invalid was even able to join in the chorus of "Too much care," which was the "Symptom" of returning health and spirits. Next morning his friend proposed a walk to purchase more "Symptoms;" accordingly they went to the Publisher, who happy to hear of the good effect (by no means a singular case) assured them of his determination to supply the Public with MR. ALKEN's Works, while they are found to be of such incalculable benefit and unexampled demand. The first volume of "Symptoms" effected a complete recovery (and it has been lent to friends and cured large parties since): but as different cases of *ennui* demand various remedies, MR. ALKEN, in addition to continuing the "Symptoms," has turned his attention to other designs, and for this purpose has in readiness "ILLUSTRATIONS TO POPULAR SONGS," and "QUOTATIONS" in progress; these it is presumed will alleviate all the ills of life, and make good the words of Addison, that "Man is the merriest species of the Creation." But should these not be sufficient, the Public may rest assured, that while MR. ALKEN's prolific genius can supply, and the world give unequivocal "Symptoms of being Amused" by unprecedented Sales, the Publisher is determined to give "Symptoms" of a disposition to supply the demands of the Purchasers, to whom he begs leave to return thanks for their liberal support.

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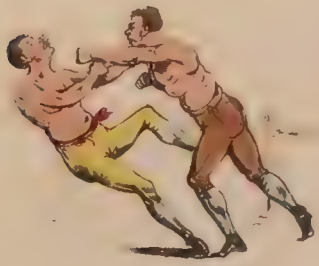

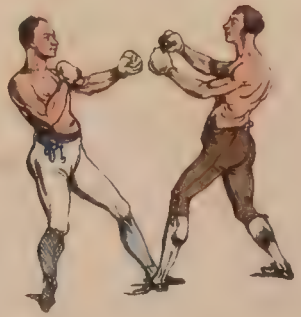

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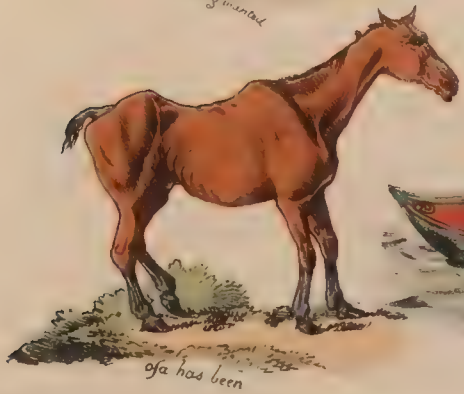

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of a Riot

of being put in Bodily fear

of Getting on

of Fashion

of the Dose after dinner
of receiving Satisfaction
of Giving Satisfaction
of Carolesness
of Taking a Cooler

of Fun
of Terror
of a fight but not in England
of Village Scandal

of a Stree
of a Smash
of going to quod
of being us'd to it
of not being used to it

coming from the Hunt
Going to the Hunt
Toasting an old Friend

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of catch my Horse
of Bog trotting
The bottomless pit
of Tak'ing a steel draught
of Expression
of the perpetual Motion

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